

EPA Continues to Investigate R-22a; Enforcements Begin

PHCC continues to work with the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) on the agency's ongoing investigation on I propane manufacturers and sellers, home improvement contractors and air conditioning technicians regarding the dange as R-22a. Information on the EPA's website stresses that R-22a (an alternate refrigerant currently on the market) is NO dangers posed by R-22a.

Although EPA does not comment on ongoing investigations, EPA has issued an enforcement letter to a manufacturer of t accuses the company of violating the Clean Air Act and more specifically, provisions of the "Significant New Alternatives I the health, safety and comfort of the nation compels our continued involvement in this issue and again warns members a have become prevalent as a result of the phase-out of R-22.

PHCC continues to work with EPA on this issue and requests that if any members have experienced or is aware of a spec dangers, contact the EPA attorney assigned to the issue:

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